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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: **Andrew Howard *et al.***

Application No. **09/914,106**

Filed: **August 23, 2001**

Group Art Unit: **1646**

Examiner: **Michael D. Pak**

For: **G Protein-Coupled Receptor Resembling Galanin Receptors**

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

This response is filed in reply to the Office Action dated October 18, 2005, the period for response having been extended from January 18 to March 18, 2006 with the accompanying petition for a two-month extension of time. This response being filed on Monday, March 20, 2006 under the next business day rule as the due date for responding fell on a Saturday.

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TRANSMITTAL FORM

- Transmitted herewith is a Response to Office Action in reply to the non-final Office Action dated October 18, 2005.
- Extension of Time: The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) apply. Applicants petition for a two-month extension of time from January 18, 2006 to March 18, 2006, the fee for which is **\$225.00** as set out in 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a). If Applicants have overlooked the need for an additional extension of time, please consider this a petition therefore. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, including fees due under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310. This request is being filed under the next business day rule on Monday, March 20, 2006 as the due date for responding fell on a Saturday (March 18, 2006).
- Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. 1.16):

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Remaining		Previously Paid	Extra	Rate	Total Fees
Total Claims	21	minus	21	0	\$50.00 each=	0.00
Independent Claims	3	minus	3	0	\$200.00 each=	0.00
First presentation of Multiple dependent claim					\$360.00	0.00
Sub-total =						0.00
Reduction by 1/2 for filing by a small entity						-0.00
Total Fee =						\$0.00

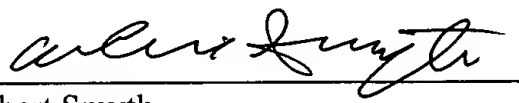
- Fee Payment: The Commission is hereby authorized to charge **\$225.00** to Deposit Account 50-0310 for payment of the two month extension of time fee at the small entity rate.
- Additional Papers Submitted:
 - Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. 1.132 by Brian O'Dowd

- (ii) Exhibit A: *Seminara et al.* (2003) publication
- (iii) Exhibit B: *Semple et al.* (2005) publication
- (iv) Roux *et al.* (2003) publication

6. Constructive Petition: **Except** for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a **constructive petition for extension of time** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)(3).

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